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Art Unit : 2128  
Examiner : Fred O. Ferris III  
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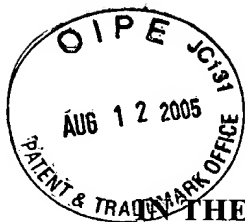
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In response to the Final Office Action mailed on May 25, 2005, please reconsider the above-identified application based on the following: